5/6/09 Board Workshop SCWA – TUC Petition Deadline: 4/30/09 by 12 noon

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To: Jeanine Townsend and Randy Poole

I'm very concerned about the drastic reduction in flow to the Russian River. Kayaking and swimming in the river is an important recreation for me and many, many others during the summer heat. I'm also concerned about the water temperature rising and affecting the fish and other wildlife that depend on the river, and the imbalance of nutrients that will feed the invasive plants. Businesses along the river will suffer if there is not enough river for tourists to enjoy.

We must conserve water in a drought year, but instead of starving the river, how about getting rid of lawns, and banning new vineyards until we have normal rains. A little conservation in the cities would go a long way to helping us make it through the drought.

Sincerely, Reeta Roo Occidental, CA

